

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A thin film semiconductor apparatus comprising thin film transistors integrated on a substrate, and a wiring connecting said thin film transistors,

each of said thin film transistors comprising a channel which has a predetermined threshold voltage and on-off operates depending on a gate voltage applied through a wiring,

10 at least a part of said thin film transistors comprising a semiconductor thin film constituting said channel, and a first gate electrode and a second gate electrode, which are disposed on a surface and the other surface of said semiconductor thin film sandwiching an

wherein said first gate electrode and said second gate electrode receive a first gate voltage and a second gate voltage, respectively, through wirings which are separately provided,

20 wherein said first gate electrode on-off controls
said channel depending on said first gate voltage, and
 wherein said second gate electrode actively controls
said threshold voltage depending on said second gate
voltage to adjust the on-off operation of said thin film
25 transistors.

2. The semiconductor apparatus according to claim 1,
wherein said semiconductor thin film constituting said
channel is comprised of polycrystalline silicon which
30 does not contain an impurity effectively affecting the
formation of a depletion layer, and has a thickness of

100 nm or less.

3. The semiconductor apparatus according to claim 1,
wherein said semiconductor thin film constituting said
channel is comprised of polycrystalline silicon which
contains an impurity effectively affecting the formation
of a depletion layer, and has a thickness two times or
less the maximum of the thickness of said depletion layer.

4. The semiconductor apparatus according to claim 1,
wherein said second gate electrode actively controls said
threshold voltage depending on said second gate voltage
applied at least when said thin film transistors off-
operate, to thereby decrease a current flowing through
said channel when said thin film transistors off-operate,
as compared to a current flowing through said channel
when said second gate voltage is not applied.

5. The semiconductor apparatus according to claim 1,
wherein said second gate electrode actively controls said
threshold voltage depending on said second gate voltage
applied at least when said thin film transistors on-
operate, to thereby increase a current flowing through
said channel when said thin film transistors on-operate,
as compared to a current flowing through said channel
when said second gate voltage is not applied.

6. A liquid crystal display comprising a pair of
substrates disposed having a predetermined gap, and a
liquid crystal kept in said gap,
one of said substrates containing thereon a display

portion in which a pixel electrode and a thin film transistor for driving said pixel electrode are integrated, and a peripheral circuit portion in which thin film transistors are integrated,

5 the other of said substrates containing thereon an opposite electrode which faces said pixel electrode,

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each of said thin film transistors comprising a channel which has a predetermined threshold voltage and on-off operates depending on a gate voltage applied
10 through a wiring, at least a part of said thin film transistors comprising a semiconductor thin film constituting said channel and a first gate electrode and a second gate electrode, which are disposed on a surface and the other surface of said semiconductor thin film
15 sandwiching an insulating film,

wherein said first gate electrode and said second gate electrode receive a first gate voltage and a second gate voltage, respectively, through wirings which are separately provided,

20 wherein said first gate electrode on-off controls said channel depending on said first gate voltage, and wherein said second gate electrode actively controls said threshold voltage depending on said second gate voltage to adjust the on-off operation of said thin film
25 transistors.

7. The liquid crystal display according to claim 6, wherein said semiconductor thin film constituting said channel is comprised of polycrystalline silicon which
30 does not contain an impurity effectively affecting the formation of a depletion layer, and has a thickness of

100 nm or less.

8. The liquid crystal display according to claim 7,
wherein, in all of the thin film transistors contained in
5 said display portion and said circuit portion, said
semiconductor thin film constituting said channel does
not contain an impurity effectively affecting the
formation of a depletion layer.

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10 9. The liquid crystal display according to claim 6,
wherein said semiconductor thin film constituting said
channel is comprised of polycrystalline silicon which
contains an impurity effectively affecting the formation
of a depletion layer, and has a thickness two times or
15 less the maximum of the thickness of said depletion layer.

10. The liquid crystal display according to claim 9,
wherein, in all of the thin film transistors contained in
said display portion and said circuit portion, said
20 semiconductor thin film constituting said channel
contains impurity of the same conductive type effectively
affecting the formation of a depletion layer.

11. The liquid crystal display according to claim 6,
wherein said second gate electrode actively controls said
threshold voltage depending on said second gate voltage
applied at least when said thin film transistors off-
operate to thereby decrease a current flowing through
said channel when said thin film transistors off-operate,
as compared to a current flowing through said channel
when said second gate voltage is not applied.

12. The liquid crystal display according to claim 6,
wherein said second gate electrode actively controls said
threshold voltage depending on said second gate voltage
5 applied at least when said thin film transistors on-
operate, to thereby increase a current flowing through
said channel when said thin film transistors on-operate,
as compared to a current flowing through said channel
when said second gate voltage is not applied.

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13. An electroluminescence display comprising a
substrate having thereon a display portion in which an
electroluminescence device and a thin film transistor for
driving said electroluminescence device are integrated,
15 and a peripheral circuit portion in which thin film
transistors are integrated,

each of said thin film transistors comprising a
channel which has a predetermined threshold voltage and
on-off operates depending on a gate voltage applied
20 through a wiring, at least a part of said thin film
transistors comprising a semiconductor thin film
constituting said channel, and a first gate electrode and
a second gate electrode, which are disposed on a surface
and a back surface of said semiconductor thin film
25 through an insulating film,

wherein said first gate electrode and said second
gate electrode receive a first gate voltage and a second
gate voltage, respectively, through wirings which are
separately provided,

30 wherein said first gate electrode on-off controls
said channel depending on said first gate voltage, and

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wherein said second gate electrode actively controls said threshold voltage depending on said second gate voltage to adjust the on-off operation of said thin film transistors.

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14. The electroluminescence display according to claim 13, wherein said semiconductor thin film constituting said channel is comprised of polycrystalline silicon which does not contain an impurity effectively affecting 10 the formation of a depletion layer, and has a thickness of 100 nm or less.

15. The electroluminescence display according to claim 14, wherein, in all of the thin film transistors contained in said display portion and said circuit portion, said semiconductor thin film constituting said channel does not contain an impurity effectively affecting the formation of a depletion layer.

20 16. The electroluminescence display according to claim 13, wherein said semiconductor thin film constituting said channel is comprised of polycrystalline silicon which contains an impurity effectively affecting the formation of a depletion layer, and has a thickness two 25 times or less the maximum of the thickness of said depletion layer.

17. The electroluminescence display according to claim 16, wherein, in all of the thin film transistors contained in said display portion and said circuit portion, said semiconductor thin film constituting said

channel contains impurity of the same conductive type effectively affecting the formation of a depletion layer.

18. The electroluminescence display according to claim
5 13, wherein said second gate electrode actively controls
said threshold voltage depending on said second gate
B1 voltage applied at least when said thin film transistors
off-operate, to thereby decrease a current flowing
through said channel when said thin film transistors off-
10 operate, as compared to a current flowing through said
channel when said second gate voltage is not applied.

19. The electroluminescence display according to claim
13, wherein said second gate electrode actively controls
15 said threshold voltage depending on said second gate
voltage applied at least when said thin film transistors
on-operate, to thereby increase a current flowing through
said channel when said thin film transistors on-operate,
as compared to a current flowing through said channel
20 when said second gate voltage is not applied.

20. A method for driving a thin film semiconductor
apparatus which comprises thin film transistors
integrated on a substrate, and a wiring connecting said
25 thin film transistors, each of said thin film transistors
comprising a channel which has a predetermined threshold
voltage and on-off operates depending on a gate voltage
applied through a wiring, at least a part of said thin
film transistors comprising a semiconductor thin film
30 constituting said channel, and a first gate electrode and
a second gate electrode, which are disposed on a surface

and the other surface of said semiconductor thin film sandwiching an insulating film,

wherein said first gate electrode and said second gate electrode receive a first gate voltage and a second 5 gate voltage, respectively, through wirings which are separately provided,

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wherein said first gate electrode on-off controls said channel depending on said first gate voltage, and wherein said second gate electrode actively controls said 10 threshold voltage depending on said second gate voltage to adjust the on-off operation of said thin film transistors.

21. The method according to claim 20, wherein said 15 semiconductor thin film constituting said channel is comprised of polycrystalline silicon which does not contain an impurity effectively affecting the formation of a depletion layer, and has a thickness of 100 nm or less.

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22. The method according to claim 20, wherein said semiconductor thin film constituting said channel is comprised of polycrystalline silicon which contains an impurity effectively affecting the formation of a 25 depletion layer, and has a thickness two times or less the maximum of the thickness of said depletion layer.

23. The method according to claim 20, wherein said second gate electrode actively controls said threshold 30 voltage depending on said second gate voltage applied at least when said thin film transistors off-operate, to

thereby decrease a current flowing through said channel when said thin film transistors off-operate, as compared to a current flowing through said channel when said second gate voltage is not applied.

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24. The method according to claim 20, wherein said second gate electrode actively controls said threshold voltage depending on said second gate voltage applied at least when said thin film transistors on-operate, to

10 thereby increase a current flowing through said channel when said thin film transistors on-operate, as compared to a current flowing through said channel when said second gate voltage is not applied.

15 25. A method for driving a liquid crystal display which comprises a pair of substrates disposed together having a predetermined gap, and a liquid crystal kept in said gap,

one of said substrates containing thereon a display portion in which a pixel electrode and a thin film

20 transistor for driving said pixel electrode are integrated, and a peripheral circuit portion in which thin film transistors are integrated,

the other of said substrates containing thereon an opposite electrode which faces said pixel electrode,

25 each of said thin film transistors comprising a channel which has a predetermined threshold voltage and on-off operates depending on a gate voltage applied through a wiring, at least a part of said thin film transistors comprising a semiconductor thin film

30 constituting said channel, and a first gate electrode and a second gate electrode, which are disposed on a surface

and the other surface of said semiconductor thin film through an insulating film,

wherein said first gate electrode and said second gate electrode receive a first gate voltage and a second 5 gate voltage, respectively, through wirings which are separately provided,

B1 wherein said first gate electrode on-off controls said channel depending on said first gate voltage, and wherein said second gate electrode actively controls said 10 threshold voltage depending on said second gate voltage to adjust the on-off operation of said thin film transistors.

26. The method according to claim 25, wherein said 15 semiconductor thin film constituting said channel is comprised of polycrystalline silicon which does not contain an impurity effectively affecting the formation of a depletion layer, and has a thickness of 100 nm or less.

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27. The method according to claim 26, wherein, in all of the thin film transistors contained in said display portion and said circuit portion, said semiconductor thin film constituting said channel does not contain an 25 impurity effectively affecting the formation of a depletion layer.

28. The method according to claim 25, wherein said 30 semiconductor thin film constituting said channel is comprised of polycrystalline silicon which contains an impurity effectively affecting the formation of a

depletion layer, and has a thickness two times or less the maximum of the thickness of said depletion layer.

29. The method according to claim 28, wherein, in all of
5 the thin film transistors contained in said display
portion and said circuit portion, said semiconductor thin
film constituting said channel contains impurity of the
same conductive type effectively affecting the formation
of a depletion layer.

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30. The method according to claim 25, wherein said second gate electrode actively controls said threshold voltage depending on said second gate voltage applied at least when said thin film transistors off-operate, to thereby decrease a current flowing through said channel when said thin film transistors off-operate, as compared to a current flowing through said channel when said second gate voltage is not applied.

20 31. The method according to claim 25, wherein said second gate electrode actively controls said threshold voltage depending on said second gate voltage applied at least when said thin film transistors on-operate, to thereby increase a current flowing through said channel
25 when said thin film transistors on-operate, as compared to a current flowing through said channel when said second gate voltage is not applied.

32. A method for driving an electroluminescence display
30 which comprises a substrate having thereon a display
portion in which an electroluminescence device and a thin

film transistor for driving said electroluminescence device are integrated, and a peripheral circuit portion in which thin film transistors are integrated,

each of said thin film transistors comprising a
5 channel which has a predetermined threshold voltage and on-off operates depending on a gate voltage applied through a wiring, at least a part of said thin film transistors comprising a semiconductor thin film constituting said channel, and a first gate electrode and
10 a second gate electrode, which are disposed on a surface and the other surface of said semiconductor thin film having an insulating film in between,

wherein said first gate electrode and said second gate electrode receive a first gate voltage and a second
15 gate voltage, respectively, through wirings which are separately provided,

wherein said first gate electrode on-off controls said channel depending on said first gate voltage, and wherein said second gate electrode actively controls said
20 threshold voltage depending on said second gate voltage to adjust the on-off operation of said thin film transistors.

33. The method according to claim 32, wherein said
25 semiconductor thin film constituting said channel is comprised of polycrystalline silicon which does not contain an impurity effectively affecting the formation of a depletion layer, and has a thickness of 100 nm or less.

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34. The method according to claim 33, wherein, in all of

the thin film transistors contained in said display portion and said circuit portion, said semiconductor thin film constituting said channel does not contain an impurity effectively affecting the formation of a
5 depletion layer.

B1 35. The method according to claim 32, wherein said semiconductor thin film constituting said channel is comprised of polycrystalline silicon which contains an
10 impurity effectively affecting the formation of a depletion layer, and has a thickness two times or less the maximum of the thickness of said depletion layer.

36. The method according to claim 35, wherein, in all of
15 the thin film transistors contained in said display portion and said circuit portion, said semiconductor thin film constituting said channel contains impurity of the same conductive type effectively affecting the formation of a depletion layer.
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37. The method according to claim 32, wherein said second gate electrode actively controls said threshold voltage depending on said second gate voltage applied at least when said thin film transistors off-operate, to
25 thereby decrease a current flowing through said channel when said thin film transistors off-operate, as compared to a current flowing through said channel when said second gate voltage is not applied.

30 38. The method according to claim 32, wherein said second gate electrode actively controls said threshold

voltage depending on said second gate voltage applied at
least when said thin film transistors on-operate, to
thereby increase a current flowing through said channel
when said thin film transistors on-operate, as compared
5 to a current flowing through said channel when said
second gate voltage is not applied.